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TO : COINS Project Manager

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FROM : Chairman, COINS User Support Panel (CUSP)

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report (March)

I. GENERAL

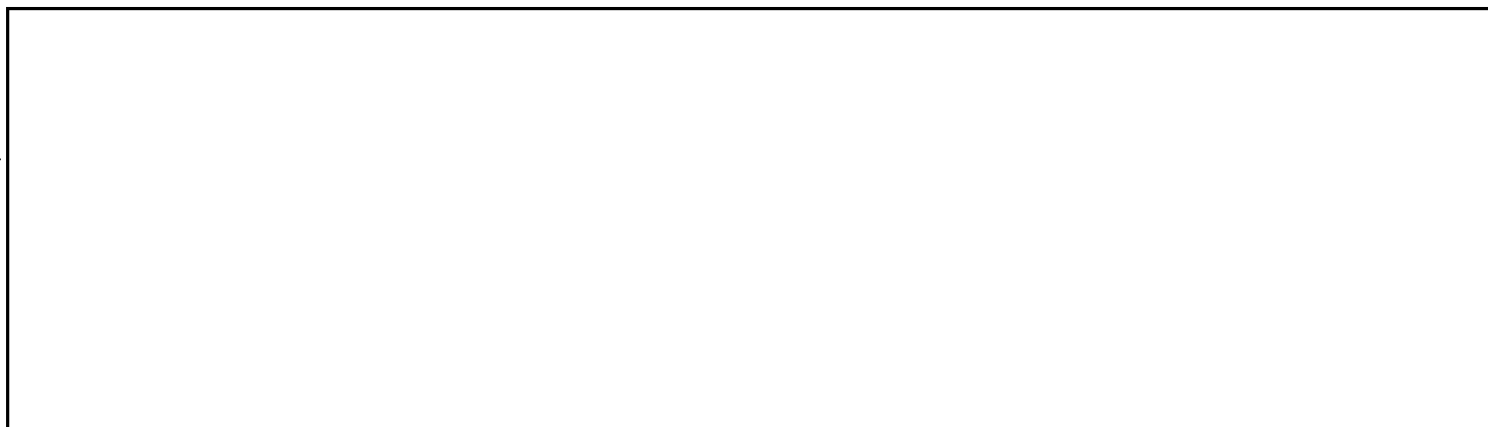
A. CUSP MEETING - The following persons met at CIA on 26 March:



B. CUSP CHARTER - A draft of a new charter for the CUSP has been distributed to CUSP members for comments. A final version should be ready for your approval in April.

C. GUIDELINES FOR COINS FILE SPONSORS AND USERS - COINS Operating Procedure Number 4-1970 on this subject was printed and distributed in March to all participating agencies.

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- ① CIA is contemplating removal of this file from COINS, possibly in favor of another.
- ② Several factors have contributed to the file maintenance problems on these files, but they are now being solved. The files will be updated in April.



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II. TRAINING

25X1 A. ANSRS - [] is making arrangements for the CUSP members to begin training on the DIA ANSRS system in the last half of April.

B. TILE - NSA's TILE is still not ready for use or "hands on" training. Training cannot begin for at least two weeks after TILE becomes available "on-line."

III. USER AIDS

A. WORKBOOK - The COINS USER WORKBOOK dated February 1970 was printed and distributed in March to all participating agencies.

B. RETRIEVAL GUIDE - The COINS USER RETRIEVAL GUIDE covering all of the systems in COINS has been coordinated and is in final draft form, but it now appears doubtful that it will be distributed in April as projected. Typing and reproduction are yet to be done.

C. CATALOG - An updated version of the CATALOG OF COINS FILES is almost ready for typing. Distribution is expected to be made in June.

D. COFSA - As you requested, a special report on the Community On-Line File Structure (COFSA) file is being written. It will contain an explanation of the COFSA concept, and complete samples of input and output for each of the query types available (i.e., COFSQ, COFAQ, COFBQ, COFCQ and COFEQ). Publication is projected for late May.



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Chairman, COINS User Support Panel

cc: CUSP Members
COINS Subsystem Managers
COINS Panel Chairmen

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